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DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. 121:

- I. Claims 1-11 and 14-22, drawn to a wireless access node comprising a first radio including a first filter bank and a second radio including a second filter bank, classified in class 455, subclass 307.
- II. Claims 12 and 13, drawn to a wireless access node wherein the communication of the access node to a first device and a second device is reversible so that a first radio is in communication with the second device and a second radio is in communication with the first device, classified in class 455, subclass 15.
- III. Claims 23-28, drawn to a method of routing information through at least one access node of a mesh network, classified in class 455, subclass 445.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

In the instant case Inventions I, II and III are related as process and apparatus for its practice. The inventions are distinct if it can be shown that either: (1) the process as claimed can be practiced by another and materially different apparatus or by hand, or (2) the apparatus as claimed can be used to practice another and materially different process. (MPEP § 806.05(e)). In this case the apparatus as claimed can be used to practice another and materially different process such as an access node to filter the

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transmit/ receive signal, exchange radios for respective channels or used for a selected path route.

Because these inventions are independent or distinct for the reasons given above and there would be a serious burden on the examiner if restriction is not required because the inventions have acquired a separate status in the art due to their recognized divergent subject matter, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Blane J. Jackson whose telephone number is (571) 272-7890. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday, 7:30 AM-6:00 PM, EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward Urban can be reached on (571) 272-7899. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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